

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (Currently Amended) An ostomy appliance cover, comprising:

a first sheet of flexible material ~~having at least one low coefficient of friction surface and~~ dimensioned to cover a first portion of the ostomy appliance; and

a second sheet of flexible and elastic material ~~that is elastic and breathable,~~ dimensioned to cover a second portion of the ostomy appliance, and ~~includes defining, without inclusion of an auxiliary structure, an expandable generally circular opening having a continuous perimeter,~~ which when expanded allows the ostomy appliance to pass through the opening without substantial distortion of the ostomy appliance, and when released substantially ~~covers~~ encloses the ostomy appliance in cooperation with the first sheet of material, wherein the first sheet of material has a coefficient of friction less than that of the second sheet of material, and wherein the second sheet of flexible material has greater vapor permeability than that of the first sheet.

2. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein the first and second sheets of material each have an outer peripheral edge, and the sheets of material are coupled together at their respective outer peripheral edges to form an enclosure.

3. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein the first and second sheet materials define a volume in a relaxed state that is less than the volume of the ostomy appliance such that the ostomy appliance is subject to a counterexpansion bias when enveloped by the cover ~~further includes a configuration to lay proximate to the first portion of the appliance without substantial wrinkling.~~

4. (Cancelled) ~~The cover of claim 1, wherein the second sheet of material further includes a configuration to lay proximate to the second portion of the appliance without substantial wrinkling.~~

5. (Original) The cover of claim 1, wherein the opening includes a configuration that exposes an ostomy inlet of the ostomy appliance.

6. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein the ostomy appliance includes an non-integrated ostomy cap.

7. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein ~~a periphery~~the perimeter of the expandable opening includes a stretchable stitching.

8. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein a minimum diameter of the opening in a relaxed state is less than an outer diameter of stoma to ostomy appliance connector, ~~a periphery of the expandable opening includes a ring of an elastic material.~~

9. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein ~~in the~~ first sheet of flexible material has a low coefficient of friction surface ~~has with~~ a coefficient of friction of less than 0.3.

10. (Original) The cover of claim 1, wherein the second sheet of material includes a woven fabric.

11. (Original) The cover of claim 1, wherein the first sheet of material includes a woven fabric.

12. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein the first and second sheets of material comprise a same base material.

13. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein the opening and second sheet material are selected to permit ~~includes a configuration that when expanded allows the~~ ostomy appliance when worn by a user to pass through the opening without substantial distortion.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Cancelled)